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FOLLOWING TEXT OF US WORKERS' REP IRVING BROWN'S
SPEECH GIVEN JUNE 15: BEGIN TEXT:

MR. BROWN (WORKERS' DELEGATE, UNITED STATES)--
MR. PRESIDENT, I WISH TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR
ELECTION AND, AS ONE OF YOUR OFFICERS, I HAVE APPRECIATED
VERY MUCH THE CO-OPERATION, AND THE WORKING TOGETHER
IN THIS CONFERENCE.

AS CONCERNS THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL, LET
ME START OUT BY SAYING THAT WE HAVE SEEN IN THE PAST
TWO YEARS A GROWING AWARENESS THROUHOUT THE WORLD
OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE NEED TO
MOBILISE THE PEOPLES AND GOVERNMENTS TO COPE WITH
THIS CHALLENGE. WE ARE ALSO VERY HAPPY TO NOTE THAT
THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES--JAMES
CARTER--HAS MADE THE DEFENCE AND EXPANSION OF
HUMAN RIGHTS A CARDINAL POINT IN AMERICAN FOREIGN
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POLICY.

THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE IS NOT LIMITED IN THIS WORLD
TODAY TO THE DISSIDENTS IN TOTALITARIAN REGIMES; IT GOES
FAR BEYOND THOSE IMPORTANT BUT ISOLATED CASES OF
INTELLECTUALS, SCIENTISTS AND ARTISTS WHO REFUSE TO
RECOGNIZE THE NARROW LIMITATIONS OF RESTRICTIVE SOCIETIES.

HUMAN RIGHTS ARE SYNONYMOUS FOR US WITH TRADE UNION RIGHTS SO CLEARLY DEFINED IN THE 15-SCORE CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ILO. IT IS PRECISELY THOSE RIGHTS AROUND WHICH THE INNER CORE OF THE ILO IS BUILT, ITS COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE APPLICATION OF CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

THE ILO, IN ITS UNIQUE, INTERNATIONAL, TRIPARTITE FORM, HAS SEEN ITS STANDARDS, BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN RIGHTS SET FORTH IN THE DECLARATION OF PHILADELPHIA, COVER AS STATED IN THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S REPORT "INCREASINGLY BROAD FIELDS OF LABOUR AND RELATED SOCIAL POLICIES--EMPLOYMENT POLICY, TRAINING, VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE AND LABOUR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS AS WELL AS HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONDITIONS OF WORK...THE ILO MUST ADOPT A BASIC-NEEDS APPROACH BY SEEKING THE TRIPLE OBJECTIVE OF FULL PRODUCTIVE EMPLOYMENT IN DECENT WORKING CONDITIONS AND WITH FULL RESPECT FOR THE FREEDOMS AND RIGHTS OF ASSOCIATION AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

THE RIGHT TO STRIKE, TO FREE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, TO UNHINDERED TRAVEL FROM WORKPLACE TO WORKPLACE, TO NAME BUT A FEW OF THE LONG-ESTABLISHED ILO CONVENTIONS, ARE NOT SUBJECT TO DOUBLE-TIERED APPLICATION: EITHER ONE ENJOYS THESE RIGHTS OR ONE DOES NOT; THERE IS NO IN-BETWEEN PROCESS. PARA 31 OF THE 1977 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS MAKES THIS POINT EXPLICIT AND FOR US IT IS A HISTORIC PARAGRAPH: "THE UNCLASSIFIED

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COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE APPROACH TO BE ADOPTED IN EVALUATING NATIONAL LAW AND PRACTICE AGAINST THE REQUIREMENTS OF INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONVENTIONS. IT REAFFIRMS THAT ITS FUNCTION IS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE REQUIREMENTS OF A GIVEN CONVENTION ARE BEING SET, WHATEVER THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS EXISTING IN A GIVEN COUNTRY. SUBJECT ONLY TO ANY DEROGATIONS WHICH ARE EXPRESSLY PERMITTED BY THE CONVENTION ITSELF, THESE REQUIREMENTS REMAIN CONSTANT AND UNIFORM FOR ALL COUNTRIES...THESE ARE INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS, AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THEIR IMPLEMENTATION IS EVALUATED MUST BE UNIFORM AND MUST NOT BE AFFECTED BY CONCEPTS DERIVING FROM ANY PARTICULAR ECONOMIC SYSTEM."

WE FIND THIS YEAR'S REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS A STEP FORWARD IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. IT IS IN TUNE WITH THE TIMES IN ITS UNFAILING OBJECTIVITY ON THE QUESTION OF HUMAN AND TRADE UNION RIGHTS THAT EVERY

MEMBER STATE OF THIS ORGANIZATION MUST RECOGFUTGM

IF THE DOUBLE-STANDARD IS TO BE ELIMINATED, THE ILO
MUST BECOME MORE THAN A FIRE BRIGADE RUSHING TO PUT
OUT FIRES, RUSHING TO DEAL WITH VIOLATIONS WHEN THEY
HAVE ALREADY DEGENERATED INTO NATIONALLY INSTITUTIONAL-
ISED SYSTEMS OF RESTRAINT AND TORTURE VIOLATING ALL
BASIC HUMAN AND CIVIL RIGHTS. THERE SHOULD BE CREATED
WITHIN THE ILO, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS,
IF POSSIBLE, A VEHICLE WHICH CAN MOVE INTO ACTION TO
INVESTIGATE, TO MAKE INQUIRIES IN ALL COUNTRIES, SO AS TO
DETERMINE THE FACTS BEFORE THERE IS ANY CONDEMNATION.
AND WHY SHOULD ANY GOVERNMENT FEAR THIS PROCEDURE,
ESPECIALLY THOSE WHICH HAVE RATIFIED BUT ARE NOT OBSERV-
ING ILO CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS? AND AS
FAR AS I AM CONCERNED, THIS SHOULD ALSO APPLY TO THOSE
WHO HAVE NOT RATIFIED. AS FOR MY OWN COUNTRY, I AM
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CERTAIN THAT MY ORGANIZATION WOULD DO EVERYTHING IN
ITS POWER TO CONVINCE OUR GOVERNMENT TO ALLOW SUCH
A COMMISSION TO ENTER AND FREELY TO INVESTIGATE AND
EXAMINE ANY ALLEGATIONS OF SUCH A NATURE. WE THROW
DOWN THIS GAUNTLET TO OTHER GREAT POWERS, ESPECIALLY
THOSE ACCUSED OF BEING TOTALITARIAN IN NATURE, TO MEET

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THIS CHALLENGE. AND THEN LET THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD,
IN THEIR SUPREME SOVEREIGNTY, JUDGE THE RESULTS.

INDEED, TRIPARTISM ITSELF, AS AN OBVIOUS EXTENSION OF
ILO CONVENTIONS IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS REALM, IS ESSEN-
TIAL TO ANY DEVELOPING ECONOMY FOR ECONOMIC AS WELL
AS HUMANITARIAN REASONS. HERE AGAIN, ACCORDING TO THE
COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS, WE FIND UNEVEN APPLICATION OF
THIS BASIC TENET OF OUR ORGANIZATION TRIPARTISM, AL-
THOUGH IT IS A TOUCHSTONE OF THE ILO, IS SADLY LACKING
IN MANY SOCIETIES OF THE WORLD, MOST OF THEM MEMBERS
OF THIS ORGANIZATION. WE SUBSCRIBE WHOLEHEARTEDLY TO
THE POINT MADE IN THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S REPORT
CHIWH READS AS FOLLOWS: "THE PRINCIPLES OF TRIPARTISM
AND FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION PRESUPPOSE THAT, AT THE
NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS, GROUPS OF WORKERS
AND EMPLOYERS ORGANIZE FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURTHERING
THEIR OWN INTERESTS ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN STANDARDS
AND WITH THEIR OWN MEANS AND RESOURCES, INDEPENDENTLY
FROM POLITICAL POWERS. THEIR SELF-RELIANCE IN THIS SENSE
CANNOT BE WHOLLY UNLIMITED; IT MUST BE ACCOMMODATED
TO THE INTERESTS OF OTHER GROUPS AND TO THE SOCIAL BODY
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AS A WHOLE". IN OTHER WORDS, TRIPARTISM REINFORCES THE
CONCEPT OF THE OVER-ALL NATIONAL WELFARE OF EACH NATION
AND IS NOT IN CONTRADICTION WITH THE TENERAL WELFARE OF
THE PEOPLE.

ANOTHER CONCERN, WHICH WE HAVE HAD AND STILL HAVE,
INVOLVES THE BASIC WORK OF THE ILO THROUGH ITS INDUS-
TRIAL COMMITTEES. YES, PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN THE
WORK OF THE ILO'S INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEES. IMY DEL-
EGATION HAS PRESSED FOR MORE SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES N THIS
HIGHLY ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF THE ILO'S BASIC THRUST. IT IS
THROUGH THE INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEES AND THE IMPLEMEN-
TATION OF THEIR CONCLUSIONS THAT WE CAN REALLY CON-
CENTRATE MORE OF THE BASIC TECHNICAL WORK WHICH SHOULD
BE THE PRIME CONSIDERATION OF THE KLO. THE GOVERNING
BODY HAS VOTED NINE INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS
FOR THE COMING BIENNIUM, WHERE VITAL PROBLEMS AT
EVERY LEVEL OF SPECIFIC INDUSTRIES WILL BE DISCUSSED BY
TRIPARTITE DELEGATIONS, MANY OF WHOM HAVE COME FROM
SYSTEMS THAT ARE MONOLITHICALLY STRUCTURED. THE BEST
EXERCISE OF THE TRIPARTITE SYSTEM IN THE ILO IS THROUGH
ITS INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEES; THE WELL-BEING OF WORKERS
IS ALWAYS THE SUBJECT AT SUCH SESSIONS AND IT IS TO BE
HOPED THAT THROUGH THEM, THE CONTAGION OF TRIPARTISM

WILL BE SPREAD AS FAR AS POSSIBLE AND PERHPAS INFLUENCE THOSE RIGID SOCITIES TO PRACTICE REAL TRIPARTISM, RATHER THAN PAYING LIP SERVICE TO THE IDEA. TRADE UNION RIGHTS, HUMAN RIGHTS COMBINED WITH THE PROBLEM OF WORKING CONDITIONS, CONSTITUTE IMPORTANT INGREDIENTS OF THESE INUDSTRIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS. THESE PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS, IF GIVEN TOP PRIORITY IN THE REORGANIZATION OF THE ILO, MIGHT MAKE IT MORE MEANINGFUL TO THE WORKERS OF THE WORLD, RATHER THAN THE IRRELEVANT POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS THAT HAVE MARRED THE WORK OF THE ILO FOR YEARS AND EVEN THREATEN THIS CONFERENCE.

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THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL ADDRESSES HIMSELF TO ONE OF THE BASIC GRIEVANCES OF MANY OF US CONCERNING TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION IN THE ILO WHEN HE ASKS: "WHY IS IT THAT, WHILE COUNTRIES MEETING IN THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE ADOPT EVERY YEAR PRINCIPLES OF SOCIAL POLICY FOR DEVELOPMENT, THESE PRINCIPLES ARE RARELY PROMINENT IN THEIR NATIONAL PLANS AND IN THE COUNTRY PROGRAMMES OF TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION AND EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE WHICH ARE BASED ON THESE PLANS?"

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL HAS ALSO SAID SPECIFICALLY IN PART 1 OF HIS REPORT IN TERMS OF TRIPARTISM AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: "GENERALLY SPEAKING...EXPERIECNE HAS SHOWN THAT CONSULTATION IS NEITHER FREQUENT NOR SYSTEMATIC.IIN FACT, PARTICIPATION BY EMPLOYERS' AND WORKERS' ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PREPARATION OF THE COUNTRY PROGRAMME IS VIRTUALLY NON-EXISTENT."

THIS ALREADY LACKADAISICAL APPROACH TO TRIPARTITE CONSULTATION AT ALL LEVELS IN UNFORTUNATELY ENCOURAGED BY THE PRACTICE OF THE UNDP IN DESIGNING AND CARRYING OUT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES. THIS ENTIRE PROBLEM OF UNDP IS OF MAJOR CONCERN TO MY ORGANIZATION, NOT ONLY AS REGARDS ITS FUNDING BUT ALSO THE PROGRAMMES.

PROGRAMMES FUNDED BY THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ARE PURELY GOVERNMENTAL, WITHOUT THE REAL PARTICIPATION OF WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS IN THEIR DESIGN AND EXECUTION. ALL TOO OFTEN GOVERNMENTS CONSIDER THEMSELVES OMNISCIENT,IPARTICULARLY CONCERNING UNDP-ILO PROJECTS. AS THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL POINTS OUT, ILO COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES ARE THE POTENTIAL MODIFIERS OF SUCH PROGRAMME ARRANGEMENTS AND SHOULD ACT TO "CONVINCE GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES THAT IT WOULD BE IN THEIR INTEREST TO ENCOURAGE EMPLOYERS'

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AND WORKERS' ORGANIZATIONS TO TAKE PART IN THE VARIOUS STAGES OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION CYCLE". WE AGREE. TRIPARTISM HAS A VITAL ROLE TO PLAY IN WORKERS' EDUCATION AND ALL OTHER DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING, PARTICULARLY IN

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THE REALM OF UNDP-ILO ARRANGEMENTS. EVEN MORE, WE MUST BE BRUTALLY FRANK IN CRITICISING BOTH THE UNDP AND SPECIALLY THOSE GOVERNMENTS RECEIVING UNDP FUNDS, FOR THEIR DOWNGRADING AND ALMOST ELIMINATION OF ANY FUNDS FOR WORKERS' EDUCATION PROJECTS IN BOTH THE URBAN AND RURAL AREAS.

THE CONCLUSIONS OF LAST YEAR'S WORLD EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE ALSO ARE VERY GERMANE TO THIS ENTIRE DISCUSSION AND SHOULD BE A MATTER OF PRIMARY CONSIDERATION. WE ARE CONCERNED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE CONCLUSIONS WITHIN THE ILO'S FRAMEWORK. THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL HAS SAID THAT: "BEYOND ITS SPECIFIC TASKS OF RAISING LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT, DEVELOPING TRAINING IN ALL ITS FORMS, EXPANDING SOCIAL SECURITY AND IMPROVING CONDITIONS OF WORK, OUR ORGANISATION MUST,

IN ITS PRACTICAL WORK, STRENGTHEN ITS ACTIVITIES DESIGNED
TO ENSURE THE PARTICIPATION, IN CONDITIONS OF FREEDOM,
OF ALL ELEMENTS INVOLVED IN DEVELOPMENT." WE HEARTILY
SECOND THIS STATEMENT, WITH ONE CAVEAT: THE ILO IS
NOT A WELFARE ORGANISATION, AS ARE SO MANY ORGNIS-
ATIONS DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM OF NEEDS. IT IS AN
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ORGANISATION WHICH CAN SERVE AS AN AVENUE, ONE AVENUE
OF APPROACH TOWARDS A WORLDWIDE ATTACK ON THE PRESS-
ING CHALLENGE DESCRIBED AS BASIC NEEDS. AND FOR US
THERE IS NO MYSTERY REGARDING BASIC NEEDS. A PROLIFER-
ATION OF WORLD ORGANISATIONS AND THEIR TECHNOCRATS
HAVE COMPLICATED OUR PROBLEMS TO THE POINT WHERE
THEY ARE NOT ONLY UNRECOGNIZABLE, BUT WHOLLY TRANS-
FORMED -- SOMETIMES IN AN ESOTERIC FASHION.

WHAT WE NEED TO APPROACH BASIC-NEEDS SOLUTIONS
ARE RATIONAL, WELL THOUGHT-OUT PROGRAMMES OF LARGE
DIVERSITY, DESIGNED BY AND IN DIRECT CONSULTATION WITH
THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DISPOSSESSED OF THE WORLD.
LAST DECEMBER'S PLANTATIONS COMMITTEE MUST LOOM
LARGER IN THE CALCULATION OF THE ILO. THE CONCLUSIONS
OF THAT MEETING MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF
THE COMING FAO CONFERENCE DEALING WITH AGRARIAN
REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, ESPECIALLY THE DECISION
CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL WORKERS' ORGAN-
ISATIONS. THE ILO'S TRIPARTITE CONTRIBUTION IN THE SCOPE
OF THE FAO'S ACTIVITIES MEANS GREATER, MORE MEANING-
FUL ACCESS OF THOSE MOST IN NEED OF A LUCID AND REAL-
ISTIC PLAN OF ACTION TO FACE THE SOCIETAL REQUIREMENTS.
THIS IS WHY WE HAVE URGED THAT THE ILO BE REPRESENTED
BY A TRIPARTITE DELEGATION TO THE FAO CONFERENCE
NEXT YEAR.

ONE OF THE MOST BASIC NEEDS WHICH WE FACE RISES
OUT OF THE DARK AGES OF CONDITIONS OF SLAVERY AND
SERFDOM IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTORS OF MANY MEMBERS
OF THE ILO. ONCE AAINS THE IMPACT OF UNIVERSAL STAN-
DARDS OF THE ILO, AS IN THE CASE OF CONVENTION NO. 29
ON FORCED LABOUR, STRESSES THIS ASPECT -- THE HUMAN
RIGHTS OF THOSE WHO TILL THE SOIL.

IT IS NOT A PURE ACCIDENT THAT MOST OF THE SURPLUSES
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IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, ESPECIALLY FOOD, COME FROM COUNTRIES THAT HAVE NOT ONLY THE RESOURCES, THE EQUIPMENT AND THE FAVOURABLE CLIMATE BUT ALSO A SYSTEM OF FREEDOM WHICH PERMITS A SMALLER AND SMALLER PERCENTAGE OF THE WORKING POPULATION TO PRODUCE RECORD CROPS EACH YEAR. WE BELIEVE, YES, THAT THE LAND BELONGS TO THE TILLERS OF THE LAND, BUT THAT ONCE LAND REFORM IS ACHIEVED AND THE LAND IS GIVEN TO THE TILLERS, LET US NOT THEN DENY THEM THE RIGHT TO BE FREE FARMERS. THERE ARE NO LESSONS TO BE LEARNED FROM THOSE WHO CLAIM TO HAVE SOLVED ALL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS BY ROBBING THEIR PEOPLES OF THEIR RIGHT TO THINK AND SPEAK FREELY.

THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR HOLDS THE POTENTIAL FOR THE LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT OF JOBS AND BASIC FOOD INDUSTRIES, AND IN THIS RESPECT WE ARE VERY MUCH FOR A GREATER EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS, WITHOUT WHICH DROUGHTS AND FAMINES CANNOT BE ELIMINATED IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD. IT HAS BEEN THE RELATIVE NEGLECT OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT THAT HAS CONTRIBUTED NOT ONLY TO DROUGHTS AND FAMINE BUT TO THE SLOW PACE OF JOB CREATION.

IN CONCLUSION, LET ME SAY YES, IN ANSWER TO MANY PEOPLE, THE CONFERENCE IS SUPREME IN THE ILO. BUT THERE MUST BE A BALANCE DRAWN SO THAT THE FREEDOM OF DECISION AND THE EFFICIENT FUNCTIONING OF OUR ORGANISATION MELD AS ONE. LET US REMEMBER THAT FREEDOM DOES NOT MEAN LICENCE -- OTHERWISE THE RULE OF LAW AND DEMOCRATIC PROCEDURE WILL DISAPPEAR. THERE IS TOO MUCH INSISTENCE OF LATE FROM THIS FORUM THAT THE GOVERNING BODY IS A SORT OF FOREIGN BODY TO THE CONFERENCE. IT NEED NOT BE SAID THAT THE GOVERNING BODY IS MADE UP OF MEMBERS ELECTED BY AND FROM THE CONFERENCE AND THAT THE CONFERENCE HAS AMONG ITS MEMBERSHIP THE GOVERNING BODY. THE GOVERNING BODY IS

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SUPREME IN BETWEEN SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE AND ITS DECISIONS SHOULD BE RESPECTED.

WE HOPE THAT HIS SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE WILL HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE BEGINNINGS OF A RETURN TO DUE PROCESS, TO RESPECT FOR ILO PROCEDURES, TO THE ELIMIN-

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ATION OF THE DOUBLE STANDARD IN THE TREATMENT OF HUMAN
RIGHTS, TO THE DEPOLITICISATION OF THE ORGANIZATION AND
TO THE STRENGTHENING OF WAYS AND MEANS TO REINFORCE
THE TRIPARTITE SYSTEM, INOT ONLY IN THE ILO BUT IN THE
NATIONS OF THE WORLD.

IT HAS BEEN SAID FROM THIS FORUM THAT WE WANT TO
CHANGE THE CHARACTER OF THIS ORGANIZATION. THIS IS FALSE.
WHAT WE SEEK THROUGH OUR ACTION IS A RETURN OF THE ILO
TO ITS ORIGINAL CHARACTER, A REDIRECTING OF ENERGIES
TOWARDS THE HISTORICAL MAINSTREAM OF THE ILO'S WORK
AND PURPOSES. WHETHER THIS CAN BE DONE OR NOT,
WHETHER WE CAN COME EVEN TO A DECISIVE CONCLUSION AT
THIS MOMENT AS TO PROGRESS IN THESE DIERCTIONS STILL
REMAINS FOR US IN DOUBT. END TEXT. SORENSON

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